

A MEMORIAL

REQUESTING THE APPROPRIATE INTERIM LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE TO  
STUDY ISSUES RELATING TO PARENTAL RIGHTS.

WHEREAS, the right of parents to direct the upbringing,  
care and education of their minor children is fundamental;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF  
REPRESENTATIVES OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO that the  
appropriate interim legislative committee be requested to  
study the following issues relating to parental rights in New  
Mexico:

A. the manner in which other state legislatures  
and the United States congress have addressed the issue of the  
rights of parents in the upbringing of their children;

B. what compelling governmental interests could  
justify interfering with parental rights on various issues;

C. whether parental rights extend to other than  
biological parents; and

D. any other matters necessary in conducting the  
study; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the committee be requested  
to report its conclusions to the second session of the fifty-  
second legislature; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that copies of this memorial be  
transmitted to the co-chairs of the New Mexico legislative

council.